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To Our Patients, Residents, Families, Friends and Staff Team Members:

I hope this letter finds you all healthy and well. While I am glad to share that both Solaris HealthCare, Parkway and Solaris Senior Living Stuart remain negative for reported resident and staff positive COVID-19 cases, there unfortunately remains no guarantee that will be the case indefinitely.

As most of us have heard by now, Governor Desantis has recently implemented an enhanced COVID-19 testing plan to be conducted by the state's National Guard which will focus on Skilled Nursing and Assisted Living Center residents and staff. The initial ten (10) teams have reportedly been increased to fifty (50) in order to help expedite the plan. While neither Solaris HealthCare, Parkway nor Solaris Senior Living have been scheduled as of this date, both centers on our Stuart campus fully support increased testing efforts for our healthcare professionals and for those whom we care and serve.

The testing program will be conducted on a voluntary basis and both residents and staff will be asked for their consents, prior to the testing date. As we receive additional information, I will continue to give updates regarding the procedure and where we stand in the process.

As Governor Desantis considers Florida's "Reopening" options, we are all eagerly awaiting the "opening of visitation" to each of our Stuart centers. At the same time, we also agree that the focus on safety and protection for our older, vulnerable citizens as well as for our healthcare team, is paramount to securing a more normalized way of life for everyone. To that end-result, we will remain diligent in our staff screening, patient and resident clinical monitoring, infection control procedures and continual education, and equally important: to the emotional wellbeing and support of our residents and our healthcare staff teammates.

I thank each of you for YOUR contribution of patience and support during this very difficult and emotionally trying time; and as always, I thank you for entrusting your care and the care of your loved one, in us.

Sincerely, Sincerely,

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